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ABANDONMENT UNDER MPEP §711.03	First I
– NO ABANDONMENT IN FACT	
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Application #	10/049,677
Confirmation #	7732
Filing Date	May 22, 2002
First Inventor	NEWMAN
Art Unit	3651
Examiner	J. Dillion, Jr.
Docket #	P07534US00/RFH

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D. C.

SIR:

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A Notice of Abandonment for the above-identified application was mailed on April 29, 2004 which indicated that this application was abandoned by failure to respond to the Office Action mailed September 18, 2003. However, a response to the Office Action was timely filed on October 23, 2003. Therefore, there was no abandonment in fact and the Notice of Abandonment was evidently mailed in error.

Enclosed herewith is a copy of the response timely filed on October 20, 2003, together with a copy of the stamped receipt for this response showing timely filing.

In view of the fact that there was no abandonment in fact, reconsideration of the holding of abandonment pursuant to MPEP §711.03 is requested. If any other action is required by Applicant to effect further prosecution, please contact the undersigned as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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A check in the amount of \$0 is enclosed. If no check or an insufficient check is enclosed and a fee is due in connection herewith, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee or additional fee due in connection herewith to Deposit Account No. 12-0555.

In the event that a petition for extension of time is required to be submitted herewith and that a separate petition is not submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of time of as many months as are required to render this submission timely. Any fee is authorized above.

Date:

October 20, 2003

Bly: Ross F. Hunt, Jr.

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# RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Responsive to the Office Action mailed on September 18, 2003, and to the requirement for restriction set forth therein, applicant hereby elects Group I containing claims 1-8 and 16, drawn to a conveyor.

Further and favorable action is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

By: Ross F. Hunt, Jr.

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